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A young crowd enjoyed a concert Sunday night at the Piazza to kick of this week's Forbes Under 30 Summit. / CHARLES MOSTOLLER, METRO

First armed robbery at a Chickie's hauls $16K

Crime. A manager at the Drexel Hill Chickie's & Pete's handed over about $16,000 and her wedding rings to two masked men at gunpoint Sunday morning. Police suspect it may have been an inside job. PAGE 05

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What's trending online at Metro.us

1 'David Letterman's cue card holder fired after altercation with staff writer'

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'Genius' summit kicks off with Piazza concert

NoLibs. The Forbes Under 30 Summit, in town for the next three days, launched with a free concert at the Piazza on Sunday.

Philly locals OCD: Moosh and Twist perform at a concert Sunday night at the Piazza to kick of this week's Forbes Under 30 Summit. / CHARLES MOSTOLLER

Philadelphia will host some of the nation's brightest entrepreneurs and inventors over the next three days at the Forbes Under 30 Summit, which kicked off with a concert at the Piazza at Schmidt's, headlined by Wiz Khalifa.

Concert tickets were available for free to 5,000 members of the public who got involved with Global Citizen to pledge their support for causes ranging from ending the Ebola epidemic to guaranteeing clean water in foreign countries.

"We wanted to share it with all of Philly," said Randall Lane, editor of Forbes magazine, of the free-ticket partnership with Global Citizen. "Five thousand people got free tickets doing good things for the world. It's good for everybody."

Global Citizen is a group focused on ending extreme poverty by 2030, in part by enlisting the masses who support their goals to join social media campaigns.

"Rather than asking people to donate a dollar, we ask them to use their voice to sign a petition to a world leader, to get that world leader to commit millions and billions of dollars to supporting the poor," said Justine Lucas, U.S. country director for Global Citizen's Global Poverty Project. "It's about leveraging those voices for large-scale change."

The partnership also provided a way to open the concert to the public, Lane said.

"We made a commitment when we decided to come to Philadelphia directly to Mayor Nutter that everyone in Philadelphia would get a chance to participate if they wanted to," Lane said.

During the summit, entrepreneurs will speak at Philadelphia schools and network with local businesses, while 300 girls are invited to see a talk by Pakistani women's rights and education activist Malala Yousafzai.

"To share that with school kids and inspire school kids in Philly — it's awesome," Lane said.

Summit attendees from New York and San Francisco said they also want to see all that Philly offers.

Visit **Metro.us** for more photos from the three-day event.

Summit lineup

The three-day summit includes:

- **Monday:** Talks by Peter Thiel, co-founder of Paypal, and former White House intern Monica Lewinsky.
- **Tuesday:** Entrepreneurs get to pitch business ideas in competition for $400,000 in capital. Malala Yousafzai, Pakistani activist, will speak.
- **Wednesday:** Summit members will tour Philadelphia businesses and talk at schools.

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City Hall

Cancer claims city's LGBT director

The city's first director of the Mayor's Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Affairs died Sunday after a long-fought battle with cancer. She was 42. Gloria Casarez, a Kensington native, was appointed to her position by Mayor Michel Nutter in 2008.

"Gloria was a fun, serious, strong and kind person who always wanted to do more for others and who fought for equality of rights for all people," Nutter said in a news release. "She was a clear, strong voice to the LGBTQ community in Philadelphia and across America."

Casarez, a champion of gay rights and graduate of West Chester University, is credited with helping to launch the Mayor's Advisory Board on LGBT Affairs. METRO

Gloria Casarez
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Powelton. Toga-clad man assaulted near Drexel Univ. campus

A man dressed in a silver toga assaulted another person early Sunday near Drexel University's campus, police said.

According to DrexelAlert, the university's public safety alert system, the man assaulted an unidentified person around 1 a.m. close to the intersection of 33rd Street and Powelton Avenue in Powelton Village.

The toga-clad man was last seen heading south on 33rd Street, according to the notice.

Police said no weapon was used in the encounter.

An investigation is underway, police said.
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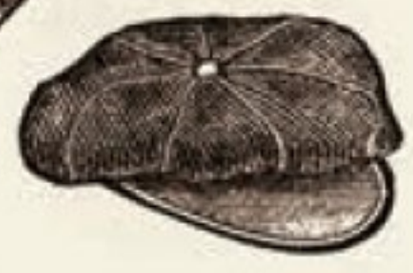

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NEW SEPTA CARDS WILL WORK ON PATCO

I'd love to know if there's any chance of inter-system cooperating between SEPTA and PATCO regarding the New Payment Technology. In North Jersey, you can use an MTA card at a PATH turnstile. Will we be able to use NPT cards at PATCO turnstiles?

SEPTA and PATCO are currently working together on interoperability that will enable PATCO, which uses a proprietary fare collection system, to process open-payment cards like the contactless smart card that SEPTA will offer later next year. However, when SEPTA first transitions to our new fare system, the PATCO Freedom Card will not immediately be usable on our system. We will make information available once the interoperability program is finalized.

Quoted

We'll continue to promote QuietRide on the SEPTA website and hold periodic "meet and greet" sessions at key stations to educate and remind riders about QuietRide.

Why don't the new cars have the "quiet car" signs posted? This is a great service that SEPTA offers and it is very much appreciated by those riders who appreciate no cellphones or conversations during their commute. It makes for a much more relaxing ride. However, since the new cars don't have the signs posted, a lot of people getting on at the stations are not aware of the "quiet car" and what that entails. The conductors try to make the announcements, but people don't tend to pay attention. Having the signs or, even better, using the interactive message boards to display the quiet car information (possibly in several languages) would be appreciated. It would also be a good idea to post signs in the stations around where the first car of the train stops so that it is more visible from the get-go.

As you correctly pointed out, our conductors are an important part of the QuietRide program — announcing if the fitst car on their train has the QuietRide and reminding customers to be courteous and quiet. In our older cars, there are also decals posted that remind people about the QuietRide program, and in our Silverliner V cars we run QuietRide reminders on the digital screens. Currently, there are two other SEPTA message running — Dude It's Rude and Slippery Rail — so QuietRide has temporarily been sidelined from the rotation. We expect the QuietRide message will be returning soon. We have considered posting signs on the platforms, but the first car stops at different points depending on train length — which means we don't always know where the first car would stop. Plus, the signs wouldn't tell a customer if a specific train will have the QuietRide (it varies based on time of day and day of week). The same applies to using the digital signs on the platforms.

Northeast

Three men charged for multiple robberies

Three men were arrested and charged over the weekend with more than 10 robberies over a three-month span.

Police first arrested 29-year-old Patrick Rowe during a traffic stop on the 5700 block of Harbison Avenue after the arresting officer noticed the vehicle fit the description of the getaway car used in the string of robberies.

Afterward, police arrested Jian Chen, 27, and Corey Lockhart, 25, after serving search warrants.

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From mid-August to early October, the trio is alleged to have hit 14 different convenience stores, bars and restaurants in the Northeast.

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DelCo Chickie's & Pete's robbed by two gunmen

Drexel Hill. Police said more than $16,000 was stolen during the popular chain's first armed robbery.

Chickie's & Pete's / CONTRIBUTED

A manager at the Chickie's & Pete's sports bar in Drexel Hill handed over about $16,000 and her wedding band and engagement ring to two masked men at gunpoint, reports said.

This was the restaurant chain's first armed robbery in its nearly 40-year history, according to Upper Darby Superintendent Michael Chitwood.

Chitwood said Sunday that two black males entered the Delaware County restaurant on the 5000 block of Township Line Road around 9:30 a.m. through a side door.

The two men then busted into the manager's office, and one of the thieves pointed a gun to her head.

She was told to empty the safe and hand over her rings, Chitwood said.

The masked men then forced the manager and three other employees into a freezer before they fled the scene. They may have fled in a silver Toyota Prius, Chitwood said, adding that it was probably stolen.

Police are reviewing the restaurant's surveillance system as part of its investigation, Chitwood said.

He said there are suspicions that the robbery was an inside job.

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West Africans dance for unity in crisis

Members of Philadelphia's West African community gathered Sunday for a mass at the Saint Cyprian Church in Cobbs Creek as a display of support and togetherness in the face of the ongoing Ebola outbreak in Africa. / CHARLES MOSTOLLER

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Chihuahua finally homeward bound

Chico, a 10-year-old Chihuahua mix who recently had his eye removed after a life-threatening infection, was adopted Sunday by Ian Vereen and Leah Cohen at a ASPCA "Mega Match-a-thon" event at the Pennsylvania SPCA in Kensington. / CHARLES MOSTOLLER

Citywide

Weed law is now in effect

Philadelphia is now, officially, the largest American city to decriminalize small amounts of marijuana.

The decriminalization of marijuana law, which Mayor Michael Nutter approved on Oct. 1, is now in effect. Under the new law, any resident found in possession of 30 grams or fewer will face a $25 fine. For public use, the fine is $100 or up to nine months of community service.

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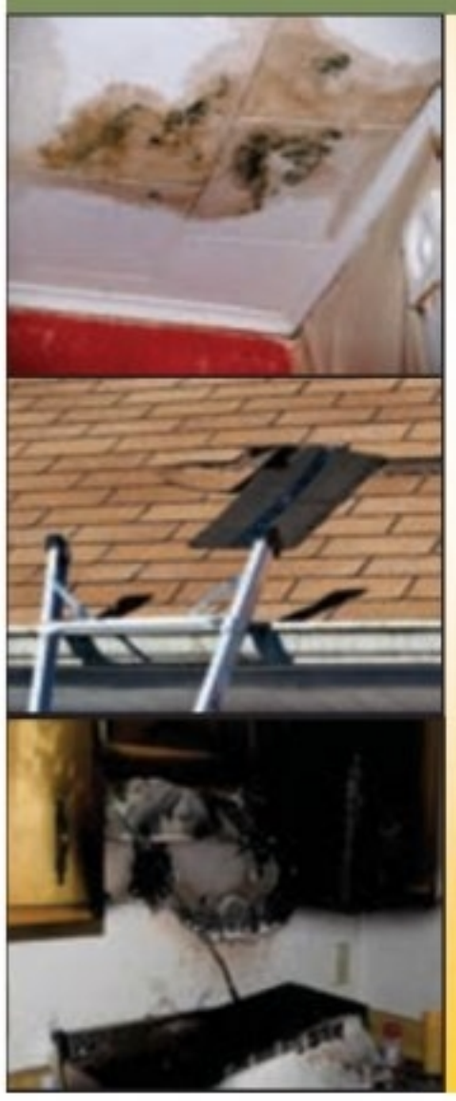

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Ebola watch lists to shrink, cruise passenger is cleared

Concerns. The precautions taken for those potentially exposed to Ebola reflects deep anxiety about the virus.

Some of the dozens of people who are being watched for possible exposure to Ebola in the United States were expected to be cleared on Sunday and today, potentially easing concerns about the spread of the disease after two nurses were infected.

A Dallas lab worker who spent much of a Caribbean vacation cruise in isolation tested negative for the deadly virus and left the Carnival Magic liner with other passengers after it docked at Galveston, Texas, early on Sunday morning.

Liberian President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf urged on Sunday stronger international action to bring the epidemic under control, saying the disease was unleashing an economic catastrophe that will leave a "lost generation" of young West Africans.

Belgium announced on Sunday it would screen people arriving at its largest airport from West Africa for signs of fever.

In the United States, the first person to be diagnosed with the disease was Thomas Eric Duncan, a Liberian who fell ill while visiting Dallas last month. He died on Oct. 8, and two nurses who treated him were infected. This triggered a lengthy watch list of people who had possible contact with them. REUTERS

Emergency help

Pentagon to create medical support team for US Ebola response

U.S. Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel has ordered the creation of a 30-member expeditionary medical support team to be able to provide emergency help in the event of an Ebola crisis in the United States, a Pentagon spokesman said on Sunday.

The team of five doctors, 20 nurses and five trainers could respond on short notice to help civilian medical professionals, a statement from Rear Admiral John Kirby said. REUTERS

Health officials

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Some 48 people who might have been in contact with Duncan will no longer require monitoring.

A first responder sprays a disinfecting solution on the railing at the Dallas Area Rapid Transit's White Rock Station after a woman with Ebola-like symptoms fell ill at the station. / GETTY IMAGES

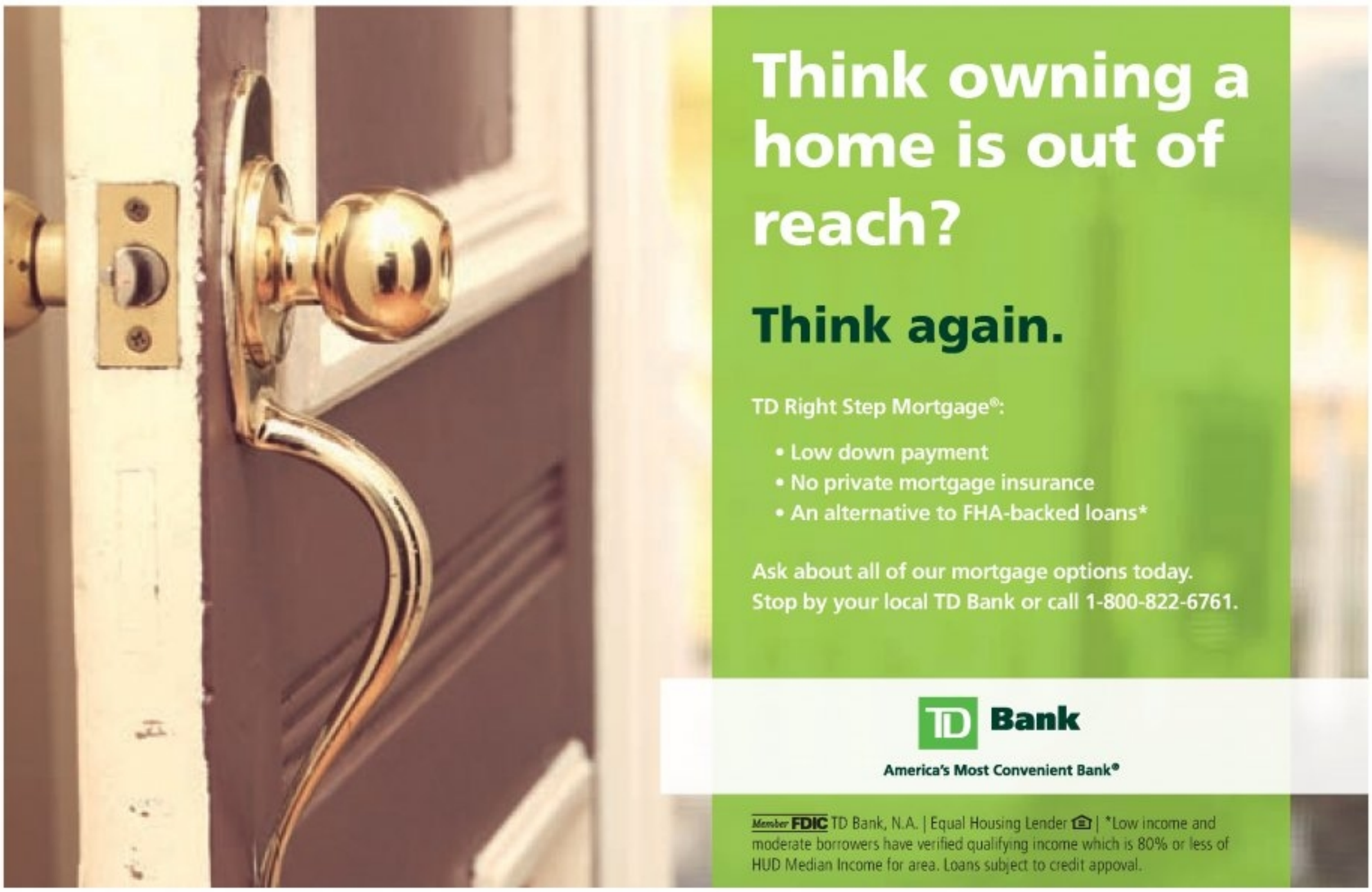
Cuddly virus

Ebola plush toys fly off the shelf for Conn. company

It may be the only time you will find these words in the same sentence: "Ebola" and "Add to Wishlist."

Giantmicrobes Inc., which makes a line of plush toys based on viruses and other microscopic organisms, has sold out its entire Ebola stock, including the small Ebola doll for $9.95, a Gigantic Ebola doll for $29.95 and an Ebola Petri Dish toy for $14.95, according to the company's website.

"Since its discovery in 1976, Ebola has become the T. Rex of microbes," says the Stamford, Connecticut-based maker of the "uniquely contagious toy" on its website, which promotes them as gag gifts that also have educational value. REUTERS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New York. Baby beaten to death, mother's boyfriend in custody

A 20-year-old New York City man was in police custody on Sunday in connection with the fatal beating of his girlfriend's toddler daughter at a city homeless shelter, police said.

The 3-year-old girl was beaten to death, and her 5-year-old brother also was beaten in Brooklyn on Saturday, according to the New York Police Department.

The boy was hospitalized in stable condition, police said.

Their mother's boyfriend Kelsey Smith was taken into custody in connection with the beatings, police said. He was not yet formally arrested and specific charges were not yet filed, police said.

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Virginia

Human remains found in search for missing coed

Searchers looking for missing University of Virginia student Hannah Graham found human remains at an abandoned property in a rural area on Saturday, five weeks after she was last seen in the university town of Charlottesville, Virginia, police said.

Authorities, who notified the girl's parents of the grim discovery, must conduct forensic tests on the remains to determine the person's identity, Charlottesville Police Chief Timothy Longo told a news conference.

REUTERS

Report: Five coaches suspended at the NJ hazing scandal school

Sayreville. The school with about 1,700 students is considered a football powerhouse.

A New Jersey high school embroiled in a hazing case that has led to sexual abuse charges has suspended five football coaches, local media reported on Sunday.

The head coach and four assistant coaches, all of whom also teach at Sayreville War Memorial High School, have been suspended from their coaching and teaching positions, according to NJ Advance Media.

They are suspended with pay and have not been charged in the hazing allegations, according to NJ Advance Media, citing sources.

The school district superintendent and the school board president could not be reached to confirm or comment on the report.

Earlier, the superintendent canceled the remainder of this year's high school football season and has said he was considering suspending the program in future years as well.

Three Sayreville players were charged earlier this month with aggravated sexual assault, and four were charged with aggravated assault, aggravated criminal sexual contact and other crimes.

Prosecutors say the victims were held against their will while other juveniles touched them.

NJ Advance Media, citing interviews with victims, has reported that the freshman players were held down while other players inserted fingers into their rectums and then their mouths. REUTERS

The students are facing sexual abuse charges. / GETTY IMAGES

Football players

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Seven football players aged 15 to 17 at Sayreville War Memorial High School face charges of sexual abuse of four freshmen on the team, according to prosecutors in Middlesex County.

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Drug Companies Fear Release of "Jacked Up" Pill

Big Pharma executives are nervous. Analysts expect new natural "Jacked Up" pill could put a huge crimp in sales to men over 50. Pill said to restore strength; energy, metabolism, sex-drive, memory and focus back to health-levels of a 30-year-old man.

NEW YORK:

It's hard to believe that in America today; a pill that could change the lives of millions of men is in danger of being yanked from the shelves. And it's just because big drug companies fear for their profits!

Right now, the pharmaceutical industry is desperately trying to stop shipments of the widely anticipated "Jacked Up" pill. The pill, made for men over 50, was released early last month. Yet, despite Big Pharma's efforts, sales have already exceeded expectations.

"If you're over 50 and healthy...with a strong body, a healthy sex drive, a clear mind and youthful looks; ***you aren't likely to be buying expensive prescription pills"***

Jaw-Dropping Results

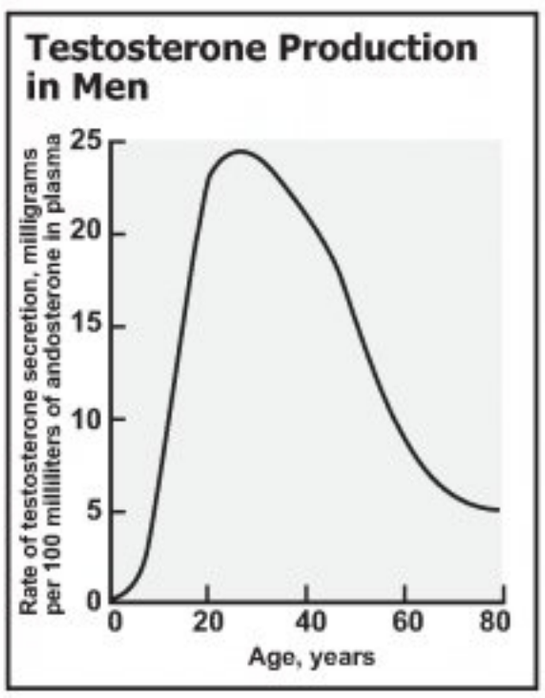
The name says it all. The "Jacked Up" pill helps evaporate body fat, builds muscle mass, restores sex drive, increases energy, improves circulation and mental capacity – and boosts testosterone levels up to a whopping 170%. Doctors are astounded by its effects.

What You Stand to Lose If Big Business Wins

Why do drug companies want this pill stopped? Since the "Jacked Up" pill is natural, drug companies can't patent it (like they did with Viagra) and make big profits. Plus, **if you're over 50 and healthy, with a strong body, a healthy sex drive, a clear mind and youthful looks; you aren't likely to be buying expensive prescription pills.** That's the very reason big business is trying to have it pulled from the shelves.

How It Works

The "Jacked Up" pill works by reigniting testosterone production in older men (to levels they enjoyed in their early 30's). This formulation doesn't force dangerous synthetic testosterone into your body like injections do. Instead, it works with your body to produce testosterone naturally. And the results have been extraordinary. Men report "FEELING STRONG... WITH MORE ENERGY, FOCUS, DRIVE, AND ENJOY AN INSATIABLE LIBIDO!" It's like your body reboots itself to feel like it did in the prime of your life.



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- Michael B. of Dayton, OH

"Big Pharma" Fat Cats Want It Gone

The powerful Pharma companies don't want this to be available to the public any longer. They want to produce their own synthetic version of the "Jacked Up" pill (They've tried. It doesn't work)...

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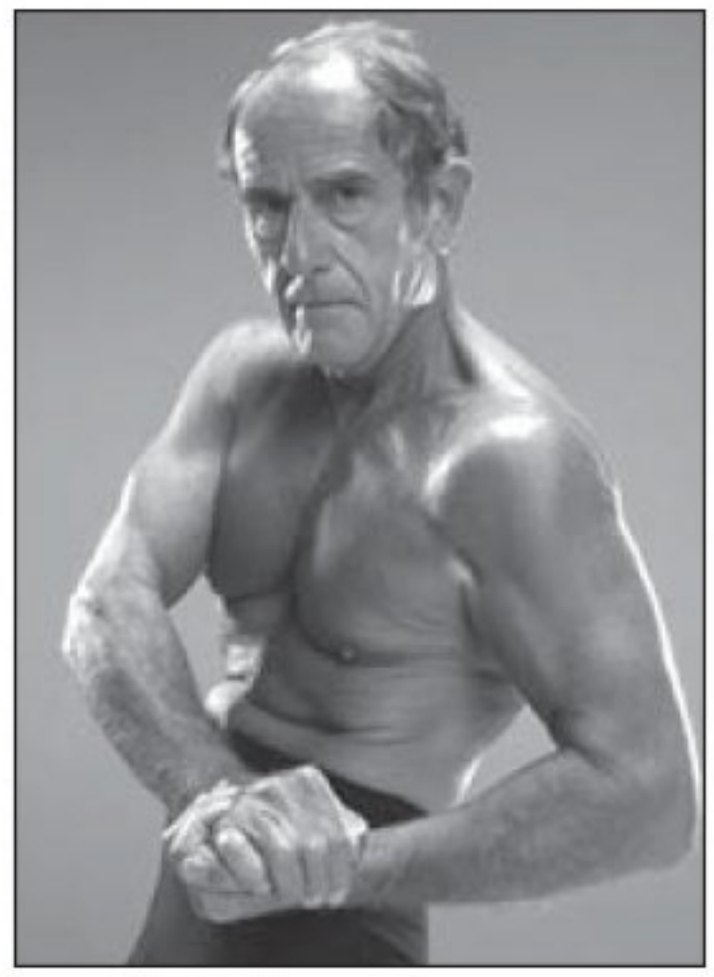
Limited Supply

Supplies are disappearing quickly. People are scrambling to get their hands on as much as they can before it's gone. If Big Business wins, you will no longer be able to buy it – at any price! For now, you can still get the "Jacked Up" pill over the counter, without a prescription. The changes you will see in your body are miraculous (fat evaporates, muscle mass builds, your sex drive and youthful energy returns, circulation intensifies-- and your testosterone levels are restored).



Solomon S., from Brighton Beach, NY, after 107-days of taking breakthrough new pill for men.

All across the country, older men are experiencing the startling effects of the 'Jacked Up' pill. No wonder why drug companies are so worried.

The effects will be felt for years to come. But the distributors aren't sure how long they can sustain the pressure drug companies are putting on elected officials to halt its sale. So even if big government and Big-Pharma eventually succeed in burying "The Jacked Up Pill" – you can reap its benefits NOW and secure your well-being far into the future.

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New Hampshire

Dozens hurt in riots near pumpkin festival

More than two dozen people were treated at a New Hampshire hospital for injuries resulting from rioting that erupted near the site of an annual pumpkin festival in Keene, New Hampshire, a hospital official said.

Hundreds of mostly young people descended on neighborhoods around the pumpkin festival on Saturday, setting bonfires, throwing bottles and flipping some vehicles as police in riot gear tried to keep control, according to local news coverage.

All told, 26 people arrived at Cheshire Medical Center/Dartmouth-Hitchcock Keene with injuries, a hospital spokeswoman said on Sunday.

The disruptions happened about two blocks from the pumpkin fest, adjacent to Keene State College. REUTERS

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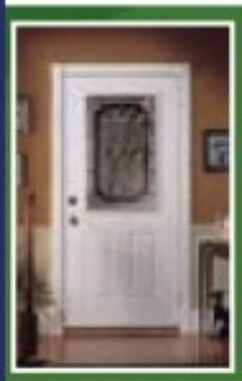

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Political crisis

Hong Kong street clashes erupt despite imminent talks

Violent clashes erupted in Hong Kong early on Sunday for a second night, deepening a sense of impasse between a government with limited options and a pro-democracy movement increasingly willing to confront police.

The worst political crisis in Hong Kong since Britain handed the freewheeling city back to China in 1997 entered its fourth week with no sign of a resolution despite talks scheduled on Tuesday between the government and student protest leaders.

Beijing has signaled through Hong Kong's leaders that it is not willing to reverse a decision in late August that effectively denies the financial hub the full democracy the protesters are demanding for an election in 2017.

A PRO-DEMOCRACY PROTESTER WEARING A GUY FAWKES MASK. GETTY IMAGES

"Unless there is some kind of breakthrough in two hours of talks on Tuesday, I'm worried we will see the standoff worsen and get violent," Sonny Lo, a professor at the Hong Kong Institute of Education, told Reuters. REUTERS

Synod closes. Pope Francis says Church should not fear change

Quoted

"God is not afraid of new things. That is why he is continuously surprising us, opening our hearts and guiding us in unexpected ways." Pope Francis

Pope Francis attends holy Mass for the synod closing. / GETTY IMAGES

Pope Francis has closed an assembly of Catholic bishops that revealed deep divisions on how to respond to homosexuality and divorce, saying on Sunday the Church should not be afraid of change and new challenges.

Francis, who has said he wants a more merciful and less rigid Church, made his comments in a sermon to some 70,000 people in St. Peter's Square for the ceremonial closing of a two-week assembly, known as a synod.

The working session of the gathering ended on Saturday night with a final document that reversed an historic acceptance of gays by the Church made just a week earlier — a result some progressives see as a setback for Francis.

At the Mass, he beatified Pope Paul VI, who died in 1978, bringing the pontiff best known for concluding the groundbreaking reforms of the Second Vatican Council and enshrining the Church's ban on contraception a step closer to sainthood.

After an initial draft of the synod's final document was released on Monday, conservative bishops vowed to row back on the upbeat tone adopted regarding gays, cohabitation and re-marriage, saying it would create confusion among the faithful and threatened to undermine the traditional family.

Francis dedicated most of his sermon to the synod, which tackled themes such as homosexuality, divorce, re-marriage and same-sex couples ahead of a definitive gathering next October after more discussions at a local level.

He said the Church had "to respond courageously to whatever new challenges come our way." REUTERS

Latest clash

North and South Korea exchange gunfire at border

North and South Korea exchanged gunfire on Sunday when the North's soldiers approached the military border and did not retreat after the South fired warning shots, the South Korean Defense Ministry said.

The North's soldiers fired back in an exchange of gunfire that lasted about 10 minutes but the situation did not escalate, a ministry official said.

"There were no casualties or property damage," the official said.

The incident was the latest in a series of confrontations in recent weeks between the rival Koreas, that remain technically at war, and follows an urgent meeting between senior military officials on Wednesday to discuss how to ease tensions. REUTERS

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Ancient. Humans should thank Scottish fish fossils for joy of sex

John Long discovered the ancient fishes' mating abilities when he stumbled across a single fossil bone in the collections of the University of Technology in Tallinn, Estonia, last year. / GETTY IMAGES

Scientists studying fossils have discovered that the intimate act of sexual intercourse used by humans was pioneered by ancient armored fishes, called placoderms, about 385 million years ago in Scotland.

In an important discovery in the evolutionary history of sexual reproduction, the scientists found that male fossils of the Microbrachius dicki, which belong to a placoderm group, developed bony L-shaped genital limbs called claspers to transfer sperm to females.

Females, for their part, developed small paired bones to lock the male organs in place for mating.

Placoderms are the earliest vertebrate ancestors of humans.

This new finding, he added, shows that "they gave us the intimate act of sexual intercourse as well."

Matt Friedman, a paleobiologist from Britain's Oxford University who was not involved in the research, described its findings as "nothing short of remarkable" and said they suggested much more could be learned from the fossil fishes. REUTERS

Quoted

"Placoderms were once thought to be a dead-end group with no live relatives, but recent studies show that our own evolution is deeply rooted in placoderms and that many of the features we have — such as jaws, teeth and paired limbs — first originated with this group of fishes."

John Long, a paleontologist at Flinders University in Australia who led the research

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Today, Katy Perry has been shutting nerds down, Lena Dunham is stuffed and Rebel Wilson is feeling overwhelmed.

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I love when I meet a person so smart they short circuit during their conversation

@lenadunham
You know when you forget to eat for a few hours, decide that you're above food/people who eat are pathetic, then consume a whole chicken?

@RebelWilson
Who can train for a marathon? I'm currently training to be able to blow dry AND straighten my own hair without having to take a break

You won't be attending Charlie Sheen's wedding anytime soon

SHEEN AND ROSSI ARE NOT TYING THE KNOT.

ALL PHOTOS FROM GETTY IMAGES

Folks who were looking forward to the tasteful and elegant nuptials of Charlie Sheen and former adult film star Brett Rossi, I've got some bad news for you: The wedding is off. Capping a solid month of return-to-form erratic behavior, FX's "Anger Management" star has called it quits with his fiancee, according to Radar Online. "The relationship actually ended a few weeks ago. Charlie finally broke up with her and kicked her out of the house. All of the fighting had just gotten out of control, and Brett was making him miserable," a source who's clearly on Team Sheen says. "Charlie just wanted to hang out with his friends, but Brett always pitched a fit when he did." Well, considering what Sheen considers "hanging out with his friends" — be they real or imaginary and made of candy fire — I can't really blame her.

At least Sheen is being civil about it, releasing a restrained and respectful statement: "Scotty and I had a great year together as we traveled the world and crossed a lot of things off our bucket list. She's a terrific gal, but we've mutually decided to go our separate ways and to not spend the rest of our lives together."

Wait, who the heck is Scotty? Did he not know her name the whole time? No, wait — apparently US Weekly reported in early 2014 that Rossi was going to legally change her name to Scottine Sheen, so that's where that comes from.

The planned Nov. 22 wedding would've been Rossi's second and Sheen's fourth. And you really want to make sure she's the one before marriage No. 4.

THE WORD

Ned Ehrbar takes on the world of gossip.

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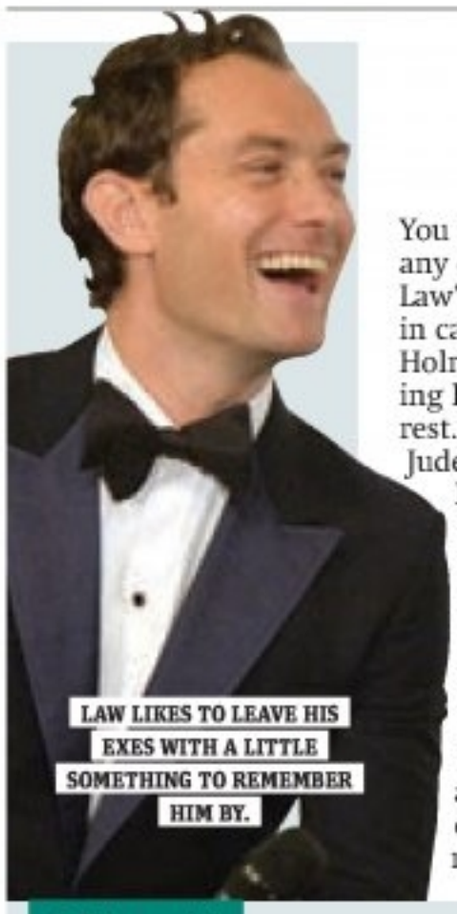
Bono had health reasons for his fashion choices

We've been making fun of Bono's ever-present massive sunglasses for two decades now, going all the way back to the Zoo TV tour, but it turns out we're all jerks. Congratulations. When asked by Graham Norton during an interview if he ever takes his trademark shades off, the U2 frontman offered this comedy-killing explanation: "This is a good place to explain to people that I've had glaucoma for the last 20 years." See, don't you feel terrible now? But while glaucoma can lead to blindness if not treated, Bono's going to be OK. "I have good treatments and I am going to be fine," he said. The next thing you know, Bono will announce that in the 1980s he had some sort of disfigurement on the back of his neck that required him to grow a power mullet (see inset) and we'll feel bad about making fun of that! But we can still make fun of him for forcing an album on all iTunes users, right?

Bono just sold the image so hard that we never even thought there was any other reason for his unusual fashion choices.

Jude Law sires baby No. 4



LAW LIKES TO LEAVE HIS EXES WITH A LITTLE SOMETHING TO REMEMBER HIM BY.

You probably didn't have any doubts about Jude Law's virility, but just in case, the "Sherlock Holmes" star is working hard to put them to rest. "I can confirm that Jude Law and Catherine Harding are expecting a child together in the spring," the actor's rep tells People magazine. And even though Law and Harding "are no longer in a relationship, [they] are both wholeheartedly committed to raising their child." If this all sounds familiar, it's because Law had his current youngest child, 5-year-old Sophia, under similar circumstances, announcing that Samantha Burke was expecting after they'd split up. (Can we call this predicament EX-pecting? If so, you totally heard it here first!) Law also has two children with ex-wife Sadie Frost.

A word of warning to future ex-girlfriends of Law: Ask for clarification before accepting any "going away presents" he might offer.

Talking point

Comic Con turns into a hot mess for former 'Buffy' star

"Buffy the Vampire Slayer" star Nicholas Brendon had a pretty rough weekend — one that ended with his bruised face and bloodshot eyes staring out from a mug shot taken by the Boise, Idaho, police. Brendon was arrested at his hotel in Boise — where he was in town for a Comic Con appearance — for "malicious injury to property" and "resisting or obstructing officers," according to TMZ. He reportedly got in a drunken argument with hotel staff after breaking a decorative dish and then tried to abandon the scene after police arrived. His naively optimistic rep released the following statement: "It would be extremely helpful if we could all put this misunderstanding behind us and focus on more positive things." Extremely helpful to Brandon, I assume. But won't someone think of the decorative dishes?

Brendon isn't smiling quite as broadly in his mug shot.

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Go savory with pumpkin this fall

Snack. Forget pie, get your pumpkin fix with this spicy hummus instead.

If you're in the camp of people who get excited when pumpkin lattes start hitting coffee shop counters or when that pumpkin soup from Au Bon Pain finally arrives, then you need food blogger Averie Sunshine's new cookbook, "Cooking with Pumpkin: Recipes that go Beyond the Pie."

Since we love pumpkin in pretty much anything — and have a special affinity for dips — we decided to give her chipotle hummus a go.

"After trying fresh, homemade hummus that can be customized with your preferred spices and seasonings, it's difficult to go back to store-bought," Sunshine says in her book. "And think of all the money you'll save — those little store-bought containers of hummus are pricey, and there's not much in them. This recipe makes a nice big batch, perfect for those of us who can make a meal out of chips and dip."

Serve the delicious spread to friends at a fall get-together, or just go at it with a spoon. No judgment here. METRO

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Recipe

Pumpkin Chipotle Hummus

Pumpkin lattes just aren't enough. / PROVIDED

Prep: 5 minutes

Makes: 2 heaping cups

Ingredients:

- 15 oz. can garbanzo beans (chickpeas), drained and rinsed
- 1 cup pumpkin puree
- 2 to 3 tablespoons olive oil, plus more for drizzling before serving
- 1 tablespoon chipotle seasoning blend (adjust measurement to taste)
- ½ teaspoon salt

Directions:

- Combine beans, pumpkin, oil, chipotle seasoning and salt in a blender or food processor and run it on high speed until smooth.
- If chunkier hummus is preferred, blend or pulse in short bursts until desired consistency is reached.
- Before serving with your favorite chips, crackers, bread or vegetables, drizzle with olive oil, if desired.
- Hummus will keep airtight for up to five days in the refrigerator.

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TV watch list

DRAMA

'Jane the Virgin'

Jane has to decide whether or not to sue the doctor who caused her pregnancy, but her decision is complicated when she keeps running into the father, Rafael.
9 P.M., CW

The characters of "Jane the Virgin" spend a lot of time around lockers for people who aren't in high school. / DANNY FELD, THE CW

REALITY

'Dancing with the Stars'

Pitbull steps in as a guest judge and performs. The contestants will dance to his hits and songs he picked. Maybe he'll turn out to be a Streisand fan. **8 P.M., ABC**

MOVIE

'The Hunger Games'

Revisit one of the better YA novel adaptations, and watch Jennifer Lawrence volunteer as tribute once more as prep work for the third movie coming out in November. **8 P.M., ABC FAMILY**

DRAMA

'Sleepy Hollow'

This week's monster is the Weeping Lady, but it turns out she might have a connection to Ichabod's past. That guy is such a heartbreaker.
9 P.M., FOX
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Turning scandal to success

Theater. Here's what happened when Lantern Theater Company forgot to put Asian-American actors in an Asian play.

Rick Shiomi arrived in Philadelphia last February to embark on a yearlong residency cultivating the city's Asian-American theater community. But he was unprepared for the controversy that erupted less than a month later, when the Lantern Theater Company opened its production of Shakespeare's "The Tragedy of Julius Caesar" set in feudal Japan without a single Asian-American actor in the cast, prompting a scathing open letter from local dance-theater artist Makoto Hirano. It may not have been a welcome diversion, but in a way it helped him rally the local community behind his cause.

"The controversy just fell into my lap," recalls Shiomi. "It really galvanized the younger Asian-American theater artists to be aware that they have issues that are not being met or understood here. And the great news is that Charles McMahon, who runs the Lantern, recognized that he made that mistake and is now pro-actively involved in trying to make the situation better."

Shiomi has been a leader in the Asian-American theater movement for three decades, most prominently as the founder and artistic director of Minneapolis' Mu Performing Arts company. Beginning his tenure in Philly, Shiomi had identified a scant three Asian-American actors in the city: Hirano, Justin Jain and Bi Jean Ngo. (The latter two are in the Shiomi-directed "Caught" — see sidebar.)

"The Asian-American theater community was almost a nonexistent presence," he says. "But in a lovely bit of serendipitous timing, we discovered that there's now a whole group of young Asian-American actors and theater artists emerging here. So the residency has been successful in a completely unexpected way."

Justin Jain and Bi Jean Ngo are in InterAct Theatre Company's "Caught," opening in previews Friday at The Adrienne (2030 Sansom St.). / KATE RAINES, PLATE3PHOTOGRAPHY.COM

Quoted

"The Asian-American theater community was almost a nonexistent presence. But in a lovely bit of serendipitous timing, we discovered that there's now a whole group of young Asian-American actors and theater artists emerging here." Shiomi

Telling the truth

'Caught'

Shiomi's residency will culminate this month with the world premiere of "Caught," a new play by Christopher Chen, which opens at InterAct Theatre Company this week. The satirical play involves a Chinese dissident artist whose story of imprisonment in his home country may not be entirely factual. The subject can't help but bring to mind the story of Ai Weiwei, the Chinese contemporary artist who was arrested in Beijing in 2011, but with a bitingly humorous twist.

"It's a play that constantly challenges your understanding of what is truthful and who has the power to understand and know the truth," Shiomi says. "It's a tortuously funny, fresh and engaging play."

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7:50 p.m., Prince Music Theater

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Every three years, Belgian filmmakers Jean-Pierre and Luc Dardenne ("The Kid with a Bike") release a new, astutely observed social drama — a fable that digs into issues plaguing the working class but without a hint of didacticism. There are few filmmakers more reliable, though their latest is even more excellent than usual. Marion Cotillard, their first A-list star, plays a factory worker who may lose her job after budget concerns. She spends a week running around, begging her co-workers to vote on keeping her — but losing their sizable annual bonus.

Whether what Sandra is doing is ethical or not is left up in the air. There's no easy answer, and the Dardennes don't pretend to have one. It's a film of ideas that is entirely defined by tense, nail-biting, furious action. If the Dardennes ever make a straight-up thriller, watch out.

Hang-out movie

The black-and-white "Gueros" spends a day hanging with bored students.

'Gueros'

9:40 p.m., Ritz East

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Director Alonso Ruizpalacios, the latest exciting newish voice from modern Mexican cinema, makes his feature debut with this old school hangout picture featuring slacker roommates tasked with watching over a teenage brother. Boredom leads to pranks, which leads to an all-night journey. Ruizpalacios has an odd sense of humor, plus a black-and-white film style that's both retro and unique.

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Brad Pitt drags Logan Lerman through war in "Fury." / GILES KEYTE

Box office. Brad Pitt's Nazi drama beat 'Gone Girl,' Nicholas Sparks

Brad Pitt's gritty World War II drama "Fury" conquered all box office foes over the weekend, ringing up $23.5 million in ticket sales at theaters in the United States and Canada.

"Fury" kicked two-time box office leader "Gone Girl" to second place. The thriller, starring Ben Affleck, collected $17.8 million from Friday through Sunday, according to data from tracking firm Rentrak.

The animated movie "The Book of Life" earned the No. 3 spot with a debut of $17 million at domestic theaters.

Critics gave high marks to "Fury" for strong performances and a fresh take on the genre, with 80 percent recommending the film in reviews collected on Rotten Tomatoes. The film received an A grade from CinemaScore based on audience reception.

Walt Disney Co.'s family film "Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day" came in fourth, earning $12 million, while newly released romance "The Best of Me" finished in fifth.

Based on a Nicholas Spark book, "The Best of Me" stars James Marsden and Michelle Monaghan as high school sweethearts who reunite years later. Released by privately held Relativity Media, it took in $10.2 million, missing BoxOfficeMojo's projection of an opening weekend totaling about $15 million.

In limited release, "Birdman" — starring Michael Keaton as the aging former star of a superhero franchise — earned the second highest per-screen average of the year, after "The Grand Budapest Hotel." From only four theaters, "Birdman" pulled in $415,000, for a $104,000 average. It hits Philadelphia next weekend.

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Top earners

1. **'Fury'** $23.5 million
2. **'Gone Girl'** $17.8 million
3. **'The Book of Life'** $17 million
4. **'Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day'** $12 million
5. **'The Best of Me'** $10.2 million

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Don Hertzfeldt's "It's Such a Beautiful Day" was animated entirely without computers. / PROVIDED

'It's Such a Beautiful Day'

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A few Sundays ago, "The Simpsons" saw its arguably craziest ever opening credits couch gag — one that envisioned a strange and disturbing distant future where, yes, the show is still on and the family has been reduced to shapes and shrieking catchphrases. It came from the mind (and actual pencil) of Don Hertzfeldt, one of animation's most unique voices, whose shtick is that he draws stick figures — and we do mean draws. He never uses computers, instead painstakingly doodling on paper.

It took Hertzfeldt years to make his only feature-length film, "It's Such a Beautiful Day," released in 2012 and new to iTunes. It tells of a melancholic everyman who is suddenly diagnosed with a life-threatening illness. As his condition worsens, hallucinations take over, and soon the film itself starts to break down, reorganize itself and soar off into the cosmos.

It's devastating stuff — no less than a stick figure "Tree of Life" — and it confirms that Hertzfeldt has become "mature" without sacrificing any of his considerable gifts. Real pain always underlined his early, jokey shorts — including the fake commercial fantasia "Rejected" — and soon Hertzfeldt turned more serious, but still funny. "It's Such a Beautiful Day" turns mind-blowing, especially in its finale, which imagines a future where humankind is not helplessly insignificant after all. It actually will make you laugh and cry.

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'Venus in Fur'

Roman Polanski has always been funny, but his last two films have been the closest he's gotten to making comedies. Chasing the chaotic "Carnage," the filmmaker turns to a two-hander, in which a blustery actress (Emmanuelle Seigner) undoes a theater director (Mathieu Amalric). That Polanski's real-life wife is messing with an actor commonly thought of as his doppelganger is not lost on the film, which mixes meta jokes, character shifts and lots of leather.

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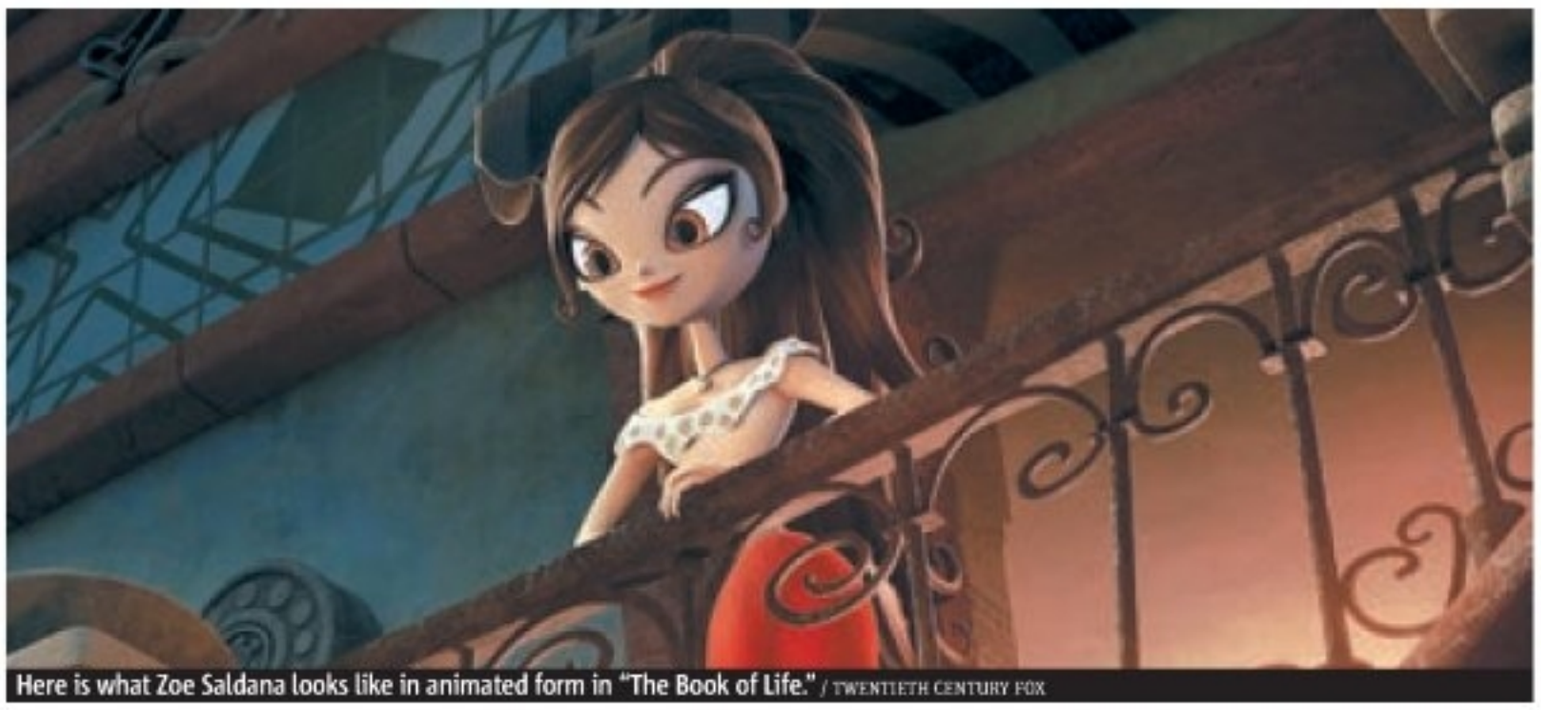

Here is what Zoe Saldana looks like in animated form in "The Book of Life." / TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX

Zoe Saldana sings

ZOE SALDANA
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Interview. The "Book of Life" voice star wouldn't mind becoming a record star some day.

Zoe Saldana could get used to this singing thing. She's been belting out tunes in films so often recently that the star of "The Book of Life" could even see herself launching another career. "I keep saying that I wouldn't mind going Platinum in Japan," she says with a laugh.

In "Book of Life," Saldana gives voice to Maria, the feisty girl at the center of a folklore love triangle between her two childhood pals: bull-fighter and guitar enthusiast Manolo (voiced by Diego Luna) and barrel-chested military hero Joaquin (voice of Channing Tatum). Which suitor she chooses will determine the management structure of the underworld as squabbling gods La Muerte (Kate del Castillo) and Xibalba (Ron Perlman) vie for control of the Land of the Remembered. Got all that?

For Saldana, coming off her long-anticipated Nina Simone biopic and this summer's "Guardians of the Galaxy," breaking into song didn't feel so strange. "I sang when I shot 'Nina' and I worked vigorously with an amazing voice coach," she says. "So by the time I started doing the sessions for 'Guardians of the Galaxy' and we got to sing, it had been about a year. I just sort of remembered all those things."

What she mostly remembered was telling herself it was OK to add another skill to her résumé, despite whatever reservations she might have had initially. "It's amazing what you discover you're able to do once you really put your body and soul into a skill and you try nothing but to master it," she says. "You discover a lot about yourself, that you can actually do something if you put your mind to it. I realized that I'm not as bad or as tone deaf as I thought I was, and some people would appreciate my shower singing."

The film is also a massive celebration of Mexican culture, envisioned by director Jorge Gutierrez and shepherded by producer Guillermo del Toro. "You are dealing," she says, "with the beauty of a culture that, even though we've been neighbors since the beginning of time — since the beginning of America — there is so little that we know."

Let's get morbid

Having the talk

As for what is ostensibly a kids' film focused on coping with death and the idea of the afterlife? Saldana doesn't think it's such a crazy idea. "It's an educational tool. It will give parents the ability to have that tough conversation with their kids," she insists. "Even though they understand more than we want them to, we don't accept that, and it's difficult for us to communicate with them. But they're ready to listen. So by bringing this animated film about death, that brings so much peace and purity and color — it's kind of detached because it's about another culture, but you can identify with them through the loss that you probably share or you will at some point, unfortunately. You get to choose a way to cope with it in a way that doesn't have to be heavy or burdened by it."

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THE MOST POPULAR QUESTIONS

For the last decade, I've been writing self-help books and preaching the Gospel of Gabby to audiences around the world. And no matter what country I'm in, these three questions are always coming up. Because they're so popular, I decided to bring my answers to you!

If you exude a joyful energy, people will be drawn to you. / THINKSTOCK

"How do I release my fear?"
My response is the same no matter what the person may fear: All of our fears are rooted in the stories we choose to believe. When we get stuck in negative stories ("I don't have enough," "I'm unsafe," "I'm not good enough" and so on), we give them continuous energy to feed on. Begin to heal your fears right now simply by acknowledging them. We tend to put a lot of effort into ignoring our fears; try examining them instead. Upon looking at your fear, say, "I choose to see peace instead." This simple choice shifts your perspective and begins a new pattern.

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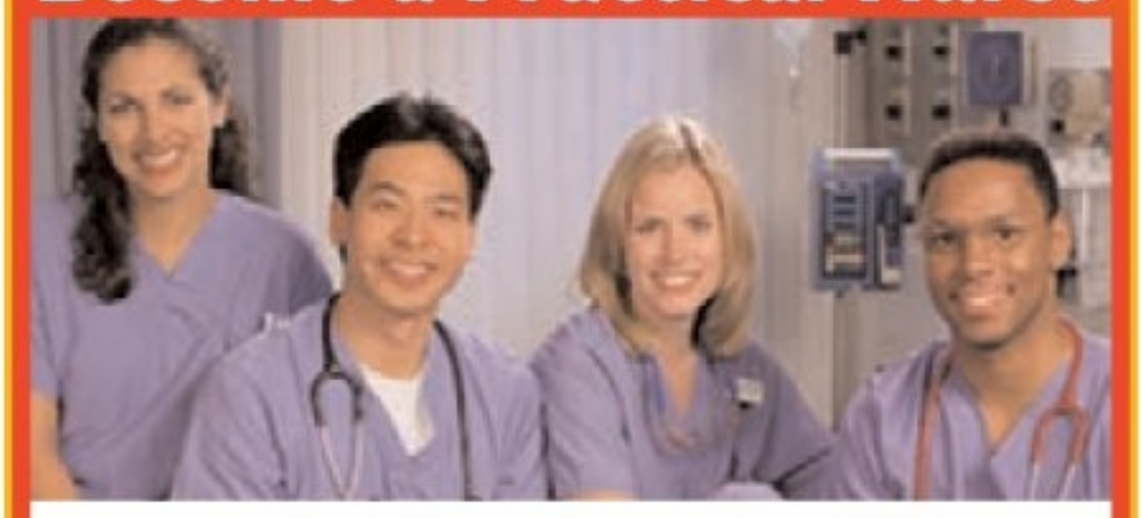

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‘How to build’ a sex-positive world

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“Girls feel that if you’ve said ‘yes’ at some point to sex, then you have to see it through — it’s almost like you’ve done some kind of contract. The two most powerful words you’ll learn as a girl are ‘yes’ and ‘no.’”

Though “How to Build a Girl” is a novel, Caitlin Moran’s childhood heavily influenced Johanna Morrigan’s story. / GETTY IMAGES

Caitlin Moran.
The British author wants women to have fun again.

The protagnist of Caitlin Moran’s new novel, “How to Build a Girl,” is a work in progress. But she doesn’t need anyone’s help — especially when it comes to sex.

Johanna Morrigan’s gluttonous embrace of the world extends to her libido, something not commonly addressed in books about 14-year-old girls, and not because that impulse isn’t there. And it certainly didn’t wait to be awoken by a man, a criticism Moran has leveled at many of the current entries in the YA genre.

“How to Build a Girl” reclaims the joys of the feminine experience. At the book’s U.S. launch in New York, Moran discussed what’s wrong with sex for women (of any age).

Another kind of teenage girl: “I wanted to write about a horny teenage girl I don’t see often in popular culture, [to] reclaim the word ‘slut,’ basically.”

What’s missing by omitting women’s perspective: “In this book [the first in a trilogy], Johanna doesn’t feel confident enough to let a man give her pleasure. She’s never seen a man making a woman come, so she doesn’t even know where that would happen in the sex.”

Maintain perspective: “To write a fairly funny, accessible book about the realities of having sex as a teenage girl, you have to realize early on that life divides into two kinds of experiences: The first one is awesome experiences, and the second one is terrible experiences that will later make amazing anecdotes.”

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The male gaze

How porn warps women’s view of sex

“If you’re a woman, very often [during sex], you’re not going, ‘I’m having sex,’ you’re thinking what he’s thinking. You’re going, ‘Wow, I must look really good doing this; he must be really enjoying that.’ Because of pornography, women are being a porn director in their head, never thinking about what they want to do.”

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Here's how chess can help students learn

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Chess offers students ways to think outside the box. / PROVIDED

Computing

The skills students learn playing chess also lend themselves to the world of coding.

- "[There's] symmetry between chess and coding," says Propper.
- Chess NYC has just introduced a coding class for students.

The game of chess dates back to sixth-century India and has long been associated with strategy and concentration. Schools and after-school programs are capitalizing on the game as a way to teach students how to think critically and manage difficult situations.

"Chess is a game of calculation," says Michael Propper, the director of Chess NYC, New York's largest chess organization.

We talked to Propper about some of the academic and social benefits of children playing chess.

1 It forces kids to think outside the box.
"Every move you make has a consequence," says Propper. "It's a sport and we treat it as such." He notes that young chess players learn to approach problems in novel ways after getting used to the rules of the game.

2 It helps enhance math skills.
"It's a game that helps you think scientifically, it helps critical thinking skills and it helps enhance math skills," he points out, noting that many students grow stronger in math and science in particular. "Chess is a game of calculation. It assists you in calculating and focus."

Because of that, it's probably no surprise that students who play chess tend to gravitate toward the sciences. "Some of them have that natural reasoning ability," says Propper. "The other half start to develop it."

3 Playing also helps socializing skills.
Programs like Chess NYC expand horizons by having young players compete against players of all ages and backgrounds. Propper notes that the oldest chess player in his organization is currently 104 years old. "It helps them make friends and socially feel more confident," he notes.

4 Chess is the original role-playing game.
Propper says he and the rest of the Chess NYC staff aren't concerned about losing their students attention spans to common distractions like video games or the Internet. "Chess is [like] a video game," he replies. "Once you start to do it, it's absolutely addictive and a lot more fun."

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Networking. How to make the most of an academic conference

Academic conferences offer lots of opportunities for learning and connecting. Here are some strategies for making the most of your time.

Go to interesting sessions.
Interesting sessions can give you lots to think and talk about. If you are still exploring what topics you might like to study and/or research in your graduate work, you might be able to attend sessions that showcase other people's research that can give you some ideas of options for yourself.

Attend the fun parts.
Lunches, cocktail hours and informal outings are where lots of great new contacts are made.

Have a contact card.
Perhaps the most-often heard line at a conference is "Can I have your card?" Make a simple contact card to have with you. It's like a business card, but you can have a contact card even when you don't have a "business."

Think ahead.
Do you have particular questions you want answers to? If so, think about what you want to ask and who you want to meet.

TALENT EGG

A U.S. Navy microbiologist tests blood samples at a mobile laboratory in Liberia. / GETTY IMAGES

Could two college students create a fast Ebola test?

Health. The simple strips are the brainchild of two first-year students.

Two Atlanta college students say they have an idea for a simple test that would quickly diagnose the Ebola virus — and it all started as an extra credit project for their Introduction to Biology class.

Brian Goldstone and Rostam Zafari are both freshmen pre-med students at Emory University. On the first day of class this semester, their professor Rachelle Spell suggested that they research the methods currently used to identify Ebola and see if they could come up with their own method to diagnose the deadly virus.

Emory University Hospital treated two Americans who had contracted the disease while working in Liberia, an event that inspired Spell to create the assignment.

"I suggested that they think about something that could be used in the field, to essentially design a very effective, safe and cheap test for Ebola," she told the Emory News Center.

After some brainstorming, Goldstone and Zafari came up with a plan to develop Rapid Ebola Detection Strips (or REDS) which, if successful, would identify the virus in about an hour. The concept of the test is quite simple: the strip would simply change color after a positive blood sample was placed on it. Both students stress that early detection is key to combating the virus.

"If we can get them before they show symptoms, we can really curb the impact of the virus," says Zafari.

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The goal

Funding the project

Goldstone and Zafari are currently working on building a prototype of the strips. In September, the students started a crowdfunding campaign on Indiegogo to raise money for further research. They successfully met their goal of $14,500.

Classes

A new report looks at what students are learning

As a bachelor's degree becomes more expensive than ever, one new report is criticizing colleges for the content of those pricey educations.

The American Council of Trustees and Alumni recently released "What Will They Learn?" — its annual report looking at what students are actually learning in class. After examining the courses offered at 1,098 colleges and universities, the council found that only a little over 3 percent of schools require students to take an economics class and less than 20 percent of them had a history or U.S. government requirement.

Colleges and universities are not required to make students take any specific classes or core curriculum, the report's authors note.

LAKSHMI GANDHI

By the numbers

Here are some of the things researchers discovered while looking at course catalogs:

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GENE SIMMONS ON BREAKING INTO MUSIC

Since he co-founded KISS back in 1973, Gene Simmons (aka "The Demon") has made a name for himself first for the band's groundbreaking live performances and later for his entrepreneurial skills and for his second career as a reality show star. Over the last four decades, KISS has broken box office records set by The Beatles and Elvis. Simmons is back in the news these days with the release of his new book "Me, Inc." with the subtitle of "Build an Army of One, Unleash Your Inner Rock God, Win in Life and Business." I asked the famously ornery Simmons about his band's successes and just how young musicians can make their mark in the industry today.

How are you able to balance your personal and professional lives, especially as an entrepreneur who's involved in so many ventures?
Honestly, there's no substitute for hard work, and being at the right place at the right time with the right thing — and I've been blessed to have found my soul mate, Shannon, with whom we have two great kids, now fully grown.

How did you originally pursue your path as a musician, and what do you recommend to other people who are trying to find their own path in life?
Unfortunately, a new musical act will not have the same opportunities I had. In my time, there were record companies who paid you advances, non-recoupable against any failure the album might have. They also paid for tour support, put up posters in record stores and paid for videos. The record industry was the single biggest reason why bands had a more than even chance of succeeding. Now, unfortunately, I do not see the opportunity for another Beatles, or Zeppelin or even KISS. The chaos that exists on the Internet with file-sharing and downloading prevents a sound business model [from existing]. So it's going to be very difficult for new bands to get any kind of traction.

SHANNON TWEED AND GENE SIMMONS
WIREIMAGE

How did you go about networking with successful people in your industry when you were first starting out?
When we first started in 1973, the word "networking" meant nothing. This was before cable TV, before anything digital, before MTV or VH1, before CDs, before DVDs, before cellphones, before computers, before the Web, before voicemail — and we still made it. You have advantages we never had. So, go out there and get it.

How can people build the self-confidence required to succeed?
You're on your own. No more mommy holding your hand. You can't pee like a puppy if you wanna run like a wolf.

Quoted

"Now, unfortunately I do not see the opportunity for another Beatles, or Zeppelin or even KISS." Simmons

Horoscope

♎ Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22. Get your facts straight and your paperwork in order before dealing with institutions. A creative solution will improve your chances.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21. Freedom will be yours if you ask for help. You will get a good response from people who are in a position to help your future.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21. Consider the consequence. Ignoring problems will only make matters worse. Not everyone will play by the rules, so make preparations.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan. 20. An opportunity to travel should not be missed. You have a lot to learn, but you must be willing to listen to others.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb. 18. You need to have a serious discussion with a loved one. The time is right to discuss the future and moving in a new direction.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20. Money is headed your way. Now is the time to make a lasting impression. You will be hard to resist, so let everyone know what you want and expect.

♈ Aries | March 21-April 20. Consider all of options. Think about altering your location to get the most out of an opportunity.

♉ Taurus | April 21-May 21. Love is in the stars. If something is important to you, see to the arrangements yourself. Waiting for someone else will be a waste of time.

♊ Gemini | May 22-June 20. Your strengths will be tested. It may seem that you are meeting opposition at every turn — but with persistence, you'll come out ahead.

♋ Cancer | June 21-July 22. Group discussions with people from different backgrounds will give you greater insight you can use in your personal projects.

♌ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22. Whether you need to collect money or pay someone back, it's time to deal with such matters.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22. Don't neglect your responsibilities. If things have become unsettled, consider what contributed to your current position and the best way to turn things around. EUGENIA LAST

Sudoku: Easy and hard

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How to play
Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Letters

Ebola hysteria misplaced

Re: 'Ebola in the CDC's basement' (Metro, Oct. 17-19) Not Tom Foreman, too! His usually balanced, non-political take on things has succumbed to the who's-doing-what-wrong about Ebola. When he criticized the CDC for implying that the "chances of Ebola spreading were virtually nil," he implies that it is infecting people left and right. Yet how many people were on the plane and other public places with the two people who flew while infected with Ebola? How many of them are sick? None. The people who literally had the closest possible contact with the sick man, who were cleaning up vomit and other bodily fluids, got sick. That is what the CDC and other non-government health officials were saying from the beginning.
ANNIE FERRIS, VIA EMAIL

Orlando a good read

Re: 'An open letter to FSU's Jameis Winston' (Metro, Oct. 17-19) Charles Orlando's recent column was articulate, poignant and very much needed. I implore you to designate Metro's pages to worthy writers such as him — not to arrogant, self-promoting individuals such as Timothy Sykes.
KATHARINE C. SEIM, VIA EMAIL

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35 Generously
40 Meddle
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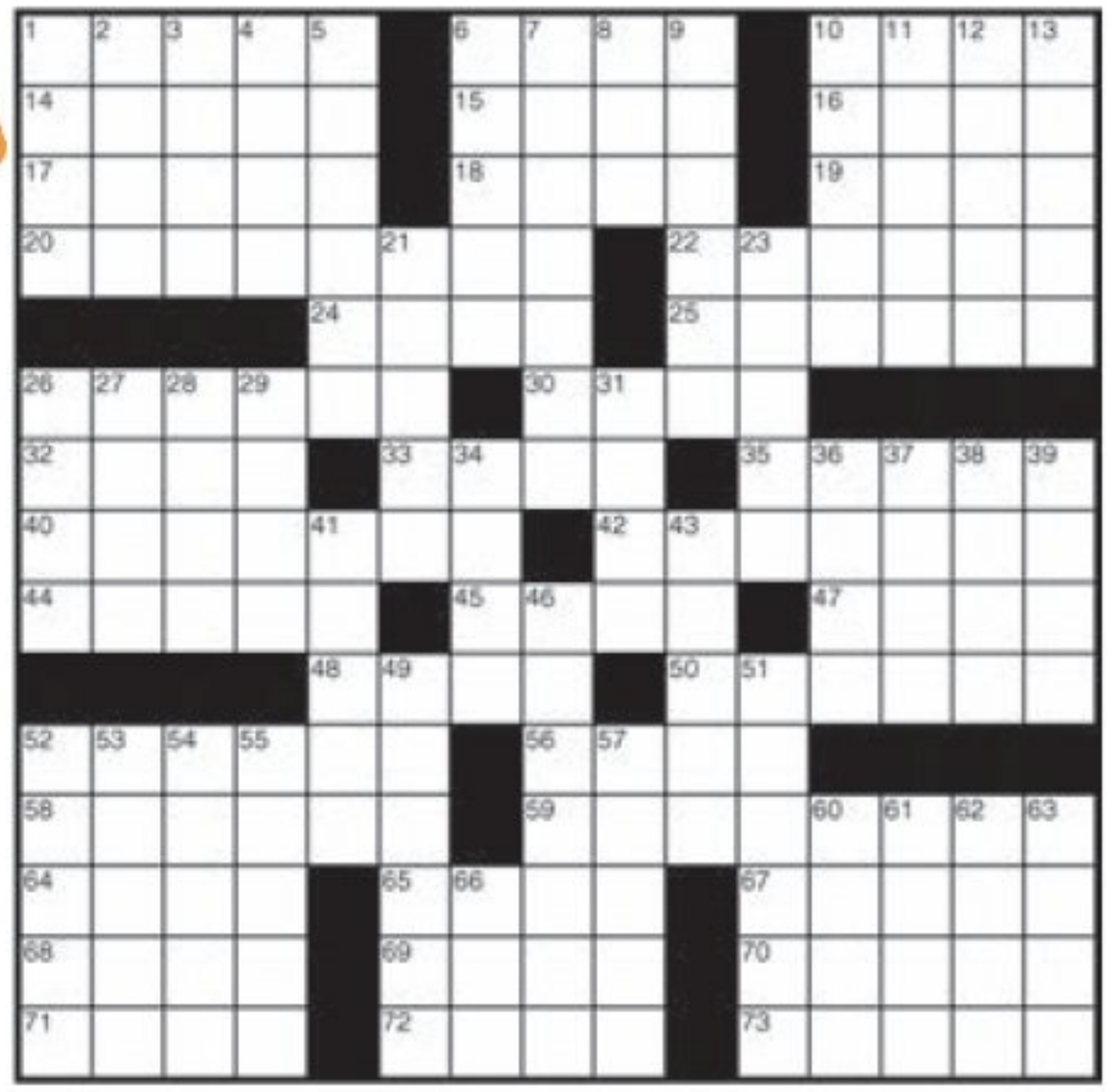
Weekend's answer



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NFL

Seattle wanted Thomas

The Seahawks pulled off something close to an NFL blockbuster this weekend as they dealt wide receiver Percy Harvin to the Jets in exchange for a conditional draft pick. But the partnering with the Jets in a deal wasn't Seattle's first choice, according to ESPN. The Seahawks reportedly eyed Denver tight end Julius Thomas in exchange for Harvin. The Broncos were not interested, despite the fact Thomas is set to become a free agent at season's end.

Simmonds is the Flyers' top scorer through five games. / GETTY IMAGES

Simmonds gets off to hot start

NHL. The Flyers offense has been a powerful force in the team's first five games, thanks to Wayne Simmonds.

Philadelphia Flyers right-winger Wayne Simmonds ended the preseason by missing the final game against the Capitals with a lower-body injury — after presumably taking a puck off his leg in a game vs. the Rangers — and wearing a walking boot.

He did not practice with the team in the five days leading up to the regular season opener against the Boston Bruins, and his status was in question for the game.

His availability was up in the air even 24 hours before the puck was supposed to drop. It wasn't until the morning skate on the day of the game that Simmonds finally shed the boot for a pair of skates and started on the second line that night.

While his return was a welcome sight, Simmonds was nearly invisible during the game. He didn't register a point or a shot in 16 minutes of ice time during a 2-1 loss.

Fast-forward four games and just over a week later and Simmonds is one of the hottest players in the league.

In the four games since facing the Bruins, Simmonds has tallied five goals, including three on the power play, and added two assists for a team-leading seven points.

Simmonds, who led the Flyers with 29 goals last year, didn't score his fourth goal of the season until the 17th game of the year.

"Sometimes you have a slow start and sometimes you have a great start," defenseman Mark Streit said after last Tuesday's loss to the Ducks. "If he scores like that for the rest of the season, he is going to score like 80 goals. Obviously that is not going to happen, but he is off to a great start."

Simmonds rebounded from the game with the Bruins to net two goals in the home opener and helped spark a comeback from a 3-0 deficit with the Devils.

The Scarborough, Ontario, native added goals against the Canadiens and Ducks and set up the key screen on Claude Giroux's game-winner in OT in Dallas on Saturday.

He is tied with Corey Perry for first in the league in power play goals. Simmonds sits tied for third in the league in overall points.

Just as impressive is Simmonds has walked a delicate line playing his physical game.

He has yet to commit a penalty after serving 106 minutes in the box last year.

While Simmonds is delivering every game, his teammates have not yet played a full game.

"It's the same thing [every] game," Simmonds said after last Tuesday's 4-3 loss to the Ducks in a shootout. "We're putting it together, we're showing that we can play in spurts. It's just the full 60 that we've got to play. We've got to compete for the full 60 minutes or else we are not going to win."

One things is for sure, the Flyers are getting a full 60 every night from No. 17.

"He was great last season and is probably the best guy in the league in front of the net," Streit said. "He's there tipping pucks, he's screening on the [power play] and he goes where you get the bruises. He has great hands and a sense of where the puck is going to end up.

"He is a huge player for us, he is a warrior out there. This is my second year here and he was great last year."

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Quoted

"It's good to get that out of the way and bring the boys a little closer, but let's not have too many of those."

Claude Giroux, Flyers captain
On the team's overtime win Saturday, after losing two shootouts and two games in regulation this season

Brotherly love

Schenn brothers each contribute

Brayden Schenn was understandably excited when the Flyers traded for his brother, defenseman Luke Schenn in June of 2013, but the duo did something special in Saturday's 6-5 overtime win against the Stars.

For the first time as pros, the brothers each scored a point in a game for the Flyers.

"For one of us scoring and one of us getting an assist, I think this was the first time," Brayden Schenn said.

Brayden scored on a backhanded flip set up by his brother in the comeback victory.

Though it may have happened before, each brother contributing in the same hockey game, Saturday's performance was much more memorable.

"Probably when we were 10 or 11 years old, nothing crazy like this," Brayden Schenn said.

EVAN MACY

Breakneck pace

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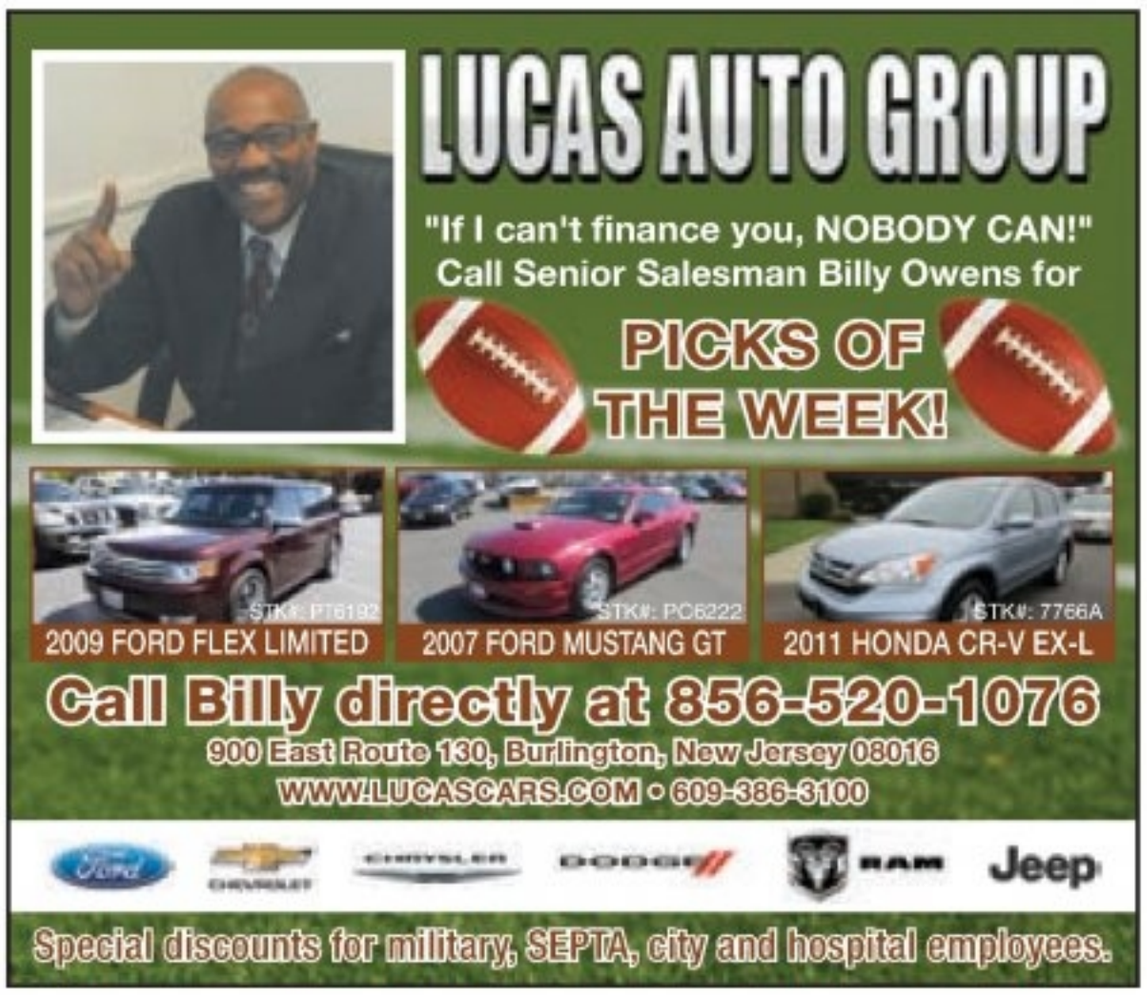
Through five games, Simmonds is on pace to score 82 goals and 33 assists, for 115 total points this year.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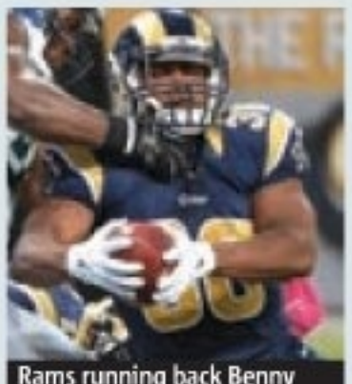
Around the NFL

- **Rams 28, Seahawks 26**
St. Louis held a 21-3 lead over the defending Super Bowl champs in the second quarter thanks, in large part, to Stedman Bailey's 90-yard punt return. Seattle would mount a comeback, but Lance Kendricks' four-yard touchdown reception from Austin Davis with 5:36 remaining stunted the Seahawks' efforts.

- **Ravens 29, Falcons 7**
Baltimore's defense stole the show against Atlanta as Pernell McPhee and Elvis Dumervil each sacked Matt Ryan twice. The Falcons mustered just 68 yards on the ground.

- **Jaguars 24, Browns 6**
The Jaguars are finally on the board and the Browns look as though they could be ready to slide. Denard Robinson rushed for a career-high 127 yards and a touchdown on 22 carries.


Rams running back Benny Cunningham had a first half touchdown. / GETTY IMAGES

- **Colts 27, Bengals 0**
Andy Dalton threw for just 126 yards and the tandem of Giovani Bernard and Jeremy Hill rushed for just 32 yards on the ground.

- **Bills 17, Vikings 16**
The Bills can thank receiver Sammy Watkins for much of their offensive success as the rookie caught nine balls for 122 yards and a pair of touchdowns.

- **Dolphins 27, Bears 14**
The Bears have yet to win a game at Soldier Field this season as the Dolphins raced out to a 14-0 lead in the first half and were able to hold off Chicago.

- **Lions 24, Saints 23**
Matthew Stafford threw touchdown passes to Golden Tate and Corey Fuller in the final 3:38 as Detroit (5-2) rallied to stun New Orleans (2-4).

- **Packers 38, Panthers 17**
Green Bay held a 28-3 lead at halftime and the game was never in doubt the rest of the way as the Packers cruised to their fifth win of the year. **MATT BURKE**

NFL. Giants can't pull off Cowboys upset, McCoy lifts Redskins

Murray is the first player in NFL history to gain 100 yards in the first seven games of a season. / GETTY IMAGES

The Cowboys still control the NFC East after a 31-21 win over the Giants gave them a half-game advantage over the Eagles.

In a hard-nosed, back-and-forth battle for most of the first half, the outcome was up for grabs. But Dallas was eventually able to break things open in the second half thanks to 17 unanswered points. Tony Romo threw for 279 yards and three touchdowns and Demarco Murray became the first running back in NFL history to eclipse 100 yards in seven games to start a season.

Trailing 28-14, Eli Manning found Odell Beckham Jr. on a fourth and goal with five minutes to play to cut the Dallas lead to one touchdown. Dallas was able to add a field goal on their final drive to clinch the win. The Giants fall to 3-4 with the defeat.

Redskins 19, Titans 17
Colt McCoy made his presence felt immediately when he replaced a struggling Kirk Cousins at quarterback for Washington.

McCoy's first pass was a 70-yard touchdown to Pierre Garcon. The quarterback had never thrown an NFL pass prior, and hadn't played a part in a meaningful game in three years, but he finished the day having completed 11-of-12 passes for 128 yards and lifted the Redskins to their second win of the year. **METRO**

Late scores

- **Chief 23, Chargers 20:**
Cairo Santos Made a 48 yard field goal to break a 20-20 deadlock with 21 seconds left to lift Kansas City.

- **Cards 24, Raiders 13:**
Carson Palmer led Arizona to its fifth win as the Cardinals' defense held Oakland to 68 rushing yards.

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Unlikely heroes lift Penn football

NCAA. The Quakers have ended an eight-game losing streak this weekend thanks to an improbable pair.

When Penn met Columbia on Saturday in a game between teams who'd lost their last 23 games combined, with both surrendering at least 60 points in their previous outing, a long string of futility would finally end for one of them.

It turned out to be the host Quakers, who took the visitors apart 31-7, making it an Ivy League record 18 straight wins over an opponent to snap an eight-game losing streak.

To make victory even sweeter, Penn's first two touchdowns came from players who had to work their way back from injuries that cost them the entire 2013 season.

First, Eric Fiore, sidelined by hip and shoulder surgeries six months apart, romped 12 yards to score Penn's first touchdown. Filling in at tailback with three players down, he carried nine times for 42 yards and also just missed taking a 47-yard screen pass to the house.

Eric Fiore was a nice surprise for Penn in its win Saturday. / PENN ATHLETICS

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"I was really happy to help the team and see all the hard work I've put in the past year pay off. To put the team ahead like that was perfect."

Ryan Kelly, Penn tight end

In the second, junior tight end Ryan Kelly, who has fought through injury woes, hauled in a seven-yard touchdown pass from Alek Torgersen to put the Quakers ahead to stay.

"It's nice when people work hard, persevere and fight through adversity," said Penn coach Al Bagnoli, whose 1-4 Quakers still believe they can make their coach's final year at the helm a success. "It speaks volumes for them and it's nice for those guys to be rewarded."

In Fiore's case, it was especially gratifying.

"I missed spring practice and had a rough preseason coming back," said Fiore. "I was pretty confident I'd come back. It just took me awhile."

Kelly grew up literally in the shadow of Villanova Stadium, but chose to come to Penn instead.

"I was in a boot for 10 weeks," said Kelly. "Then I was able to start running around and trying to put on some weight and learning the plays. To get a chance to contribute is awesome."

It's one thing beating 0-5 Columbia, which has lost 16 in a row stretching back to November 2012. But with Ivy powers Yale, Princeton and Harvard still ahead, it won't be easy for Penn to salvage Bagnoli's final season

"Hopefully, we can finish strong and send him off with a solid season, because he definitely deserves it," Fiore said.

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With 10 games (four preseason) in the rear-view mirror and 10 left to play, the Eagles are in good shape at 5-1. Philadelphia is historically a very good team after a bye week — so Cardinals beware.

Here's a look at the most noteworthy performers in the first half of the year.

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Team MVP: Peters

It's not the sexiest of picks for Team MVP, but Jason Peters has anchored an at times depleted offensive line and sparked the Eagles' comeback over the Skins with his defense of Nick Foles.

- **Least valuable player: Cary Williams** — Williams has verbally caused a rift in the Eagles locker room (when he criticized Chip Kelly's practices). He also causes a rift on the field when he gets beat deep as part of a sluggish secondary.

Top defender: Barwin

It's a bit of "what have you done for me lately" on defense, with Connor Barwin and his six sacks (all in the last three games) leading a defensive line that strikes horror in the Birds' opposition.

- **Best newcomer: Darren Sproles** — With a lot of question marks following the Eagles' offense this year, Sproles has done everything from returning punts for a touchdown to catching passes and running between the tackles.

Top player on offense: Maclin

Based on production, Maclin is an easy pick. With LeSean McCoy having a down year offensively by his standards, Maclin has been the go-to guy for Nick Foles to the tune of 445 yards on 27 catches and four touchdowns. He has certainly bounced back from last year's injury.

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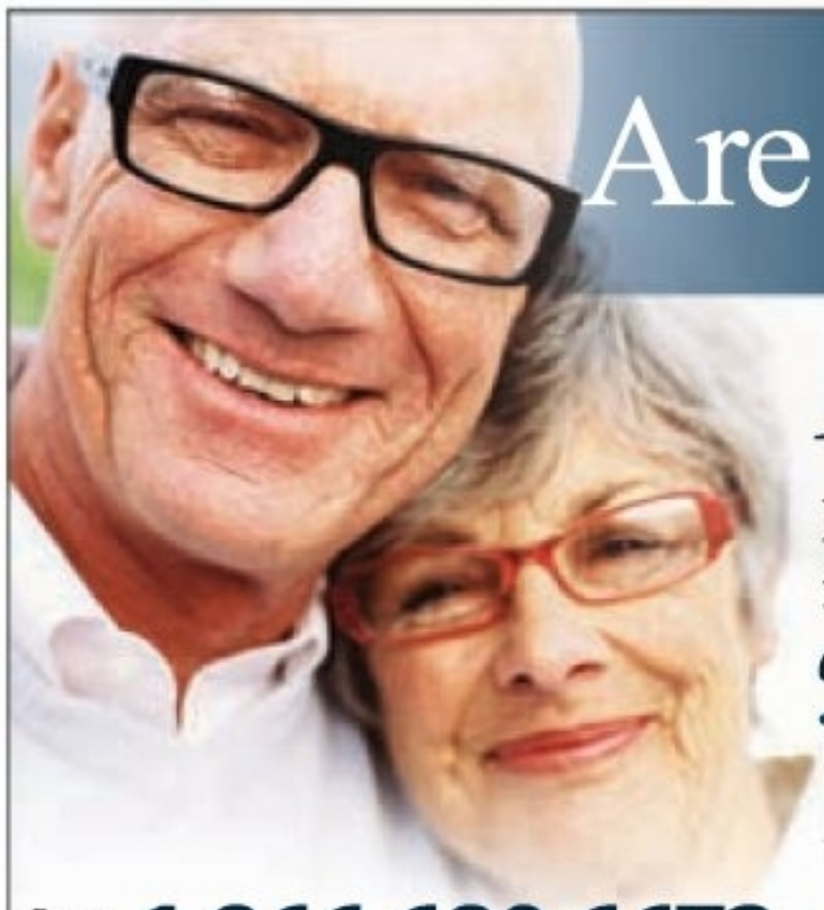

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